

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Group Art Unit: 2115  
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For: ELECTRONIC DEVICE OPERATION ENVIRONMENT PRESETTING SYSTEM AND METHOD THEREOF

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**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-159043, published May 31, 2002, along with English Language Abstract.
2. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-197415, published July 12, 2002, along with English Language Abstract.
3. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 5-219280, published August 27, 1993, previously submitted.

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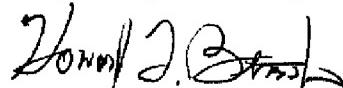
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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses here with a copy of a corresponding Japanese Office Action dated March 16, 2007, and an English translation of the pertinent portions thereof which cites such documents and indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

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